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Title : INTERCONNECTING DISENGAGEABLE FLOORING SYSTEM

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Sir:

The following list presents a patent publication which qualifies under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98 in satisfying Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

Applicant is aware of the following reference listed on the attached PTO-1449. The cited prior art is a Taiwanese Patent Publication without a translation and is being cited as showing a panel with an edge connector. The patent publication is felt to neither disclose nor suggest the claimed invention.

The Information Disclosure Statement is being transmitted herewith in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(c). That is, the present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after three months of the filing date of this national application or the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application or after the mailing date of the first office action on the merits, whichever event occurred last, but before a Final Action or Notice of Allowance in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c).

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As such, and in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(c)(2) and 1.17(p), Applicant submits the fee of \$180.00. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge them to Deposit Account 01-2221.

Respectfully submitted,

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